

324.82102a Michigan snowmobile advisory committee.

Sec. 82102a. (1) The Michigan snowmobile advisory committee is created in the department. The committee shall consist of 7 individuals appointed by the director for 2-year terms. The members of the former snowmobile advisory board serving on April 29, 1994 shall serve on the committee until the expiration of their terms on the snowmobile advisory board. The director shall appoint 1 member of the committee as chairperson and that member shall serve as chairperson at the pleasure of the director. The membership of the committee shall consist of the following:

(a) Three persons representing the Michigan snowmobile association, 1 from each of the department's 3 regions. One of the 3 shall also have experience as an instructor in a snowmobile safety program.

(b) One person representing trail sponsors.

(c) One person representing the business community.

(d) Two persons representing at-large trail users.

(2) The committee shall meet twice each year and at the call of the committee chairperson as needed.

(3) On October 1, 1996, the director shall advise the governor regarding whether there is a continuing need for the existence of the committee.

(4) The Michigan snowmobile advisory committee shall advise the department regarding all of the following:

(a) The development of criteria for safety education and training programs.

(b) The allocation of funds from the recreational snowmobile trail improvement fund.

(c) The promulgation of rules affecting snowmobile use in this state.

(d) The development of annual updates to the comprehensive plan for implementing a statewide recreational and snowmobile trails system.

(e) Implementation of the recommendations made by snowmobile users regarding trails that should be designated for snowmobile use.

(f) The development of a comprehensive plan for the use of snowmobiles in this state.

(5) As used in this section, "committee" means the Michigan snowmobile advisory committee.